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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

	Application No.	Applicant(s)		
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Office Action Summary	09/936,205	SMITH ET AL.		
	Examiner	Art Unit		
The MAILING DATE of this communication and	Sheridan K Snedden	1653		
The MAILING DATE of this communication app ars on the cov r sheet with the correspondence address Period for Reply				
A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 1 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION. - Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication. - If the period for reply specified above is less than thirty (30) days, a reply within the statutory minimum of thirty (30) days will be considered timely. - If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication. - Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). - Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b). Status				
1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on				
2a) This action is FINAL . 2b) Thi	s action is non-final.			
3) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under <i>Ex parte Quayle</i> , 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213. Disposition of Claims				
4) Claim(s) 1-10 is/are pending in the application.				
4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdrawn from consideration.				
5) Claim(s) is/are allowed.				
6) Claim(s) is/are rejected.				
7) Claim(s) is/are objected to.				
8) Claim(s) <u>1-10</u> are subject to restriction and/or election requirement. Application Papers				
9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner.				
10)☐ The drawing(s) filed on is/are: a)☐ accepted or b)☐ objected to by the Examiner.				
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).				
11)☐ The proposed drawing correction filed on is: a)☐ approved b)☐ disapproved by the Examiner.				
If approved, corrected drawings are required in reply to this Office action.				
12)☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner.				
Priority und r 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and 120				
13) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).				
a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:				
1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.				
2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No				
 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)). * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received. 				
14) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) (to a provisional application).				
a) ☐ The translation of the foreign language provisional application has been received. 15)☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 120 and/or 121.				
Attachment(s)				
1) Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) 2) Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) 3) Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449) Paper No(s)		/ (PTO-413) Paper No(s) Patent Application (PTO-152)		

DETAILED ACTION

Applicant's amendment of claims 2-10 and cancellation of claims 11-13 filed 13
 November 2001 is acknowledged. Claims 1-10 are pending.

Election/Restrictions

2. Restriction is required under 35 U.S.C. 121 and 372.

This application contains the following inventions or groups of inventions which are not so linked as to form a single general inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1.

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.499, applicant is required, in reply to this action, to elect a single invention to which the claims must be restricted.

Group I, claim(s) 1-6, drawn to a perfusion preparation.

Group II, claim(s) 7-8, drawn to a method of making a perfusion preparation.

Group III, claim(s) 9, drawn to a method of preparing an organ.

Group IV, claim(s) 10, drawn to a method of treatment.

1. Upon thorough consideration of the claims, the examiner has determined that a lack of unity of invention exists, as defined in Rule 13.

PCT Rule 13.2 states that unity of invention referred to in Rule 13.1 shall be fulfilled only when there is a technical relationship among those inventions involving one or more of the same or corresponding special technical features. Annex B, Part 1(b), indicates that "special technical features" means those technical features which as a whole define a contribution over the prior art. The inventions listed as Groups I-IV are directed to a solution comprising a soluble

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peptide capable of interacting with the cellular membranes of exposed organs and method of making and using such solution, and thus share this special technical feature. This common special technical feature is not a contribution over the prior art as it is taught in WO 9802454 A2 or WO 9839433 A1 (see IDS). Thus the invention of Groups I-IV lack unity of invention.

Advisory Information

2. A telephone call was made to John Isacson on October 21, 2003 to request an oral election to the above restriction requirement, but did not result in an election being made.

Applicant is advised that the reply to this requirement to be complete must include an election of the invention to be examined even though the requirement be traversed (37 CFR 1.143).

Applicant is reminded that upon the cancellation of claims to a non-elected invention, the inventorship must be amended in compliance with 37 CFR 1.48(b) if one or more of the currently named inventors is no longer an inventor of at least one claim remaining in the application. Any amendment of inventorship must be accompanied by a request under 37 CFR 1.48(b) and by the fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(i).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Sheridan K Snedden whose telephone number is (703) 305-4843. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday, 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Christopher Low can be reached on (703) 308-2923. The fax phone number for regular

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communications to the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (703) 746-3975.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0196.

SKS October 21, 2003

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PRIMARY EXAMINER

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